

MUSCATINE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Wednesday, December 17, 2014

5:15 P.M.

City Council Chambers – CITY HALL

215 SYCAMORE

Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting called to order at: 5:19 pm

Roll Call: LeRette, Carroll, Maharry Excused: Conway & Loos

2. Consent Agenda

b. November 19, 2014 minutes, LeRette moved – Paul Seconded – All Yes

3. Abandoned Houses in historic district & Connecting with housing program

a. Maharry began with a summary of the vacant homes in the district. LeRette asked about city ordinances that would keep homes from being converted into multifamily. Maharry is interested in creating a development corporation for historic homes. Can we model the program with Hotel. Adam commented that with discussions that we have had with developers that they don't do it to the quality that we would like to see. LeRette asked if we could survey and inventory vacant homes in west hill. Adam looking into, this may be a task for intern.

4. Whiteway Hotel

a. Commission did not discuss this topic

5. East Hill Historic District

a. The technical name of the district is Fair Oaks. Adam will work with Devin and Jim to work on a plan going forward.

6. HPC Website

a. Commission would like to see Commission Members, News, Awards, Connect to friends, West hill district info, Downtown district info, Info on tax credits and incentive programs.

7. Other Business & Additional Business

- a. Next month's agenda discuss preservation month and education activities
- b. Preservation salvage. Would be a cool business opportunity
- c. Adam does annual reporting with state for our CLG
- d. Commission could send education materials to homeowners on tax credits and incentives.

Meeting adjourned 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted

Chair